Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Dora Minnie Jensen, and we are richer because Dora lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Dora was born March 20, 1909, at the family home in Beresford, South Dakota, to Magnus and Anna (Berquist) Jensen; and,

Whereas, Dora is a life-long member of Komstad Covenant Church, served as the pianist for 25 years and a Sunday school teacher for 35 years, and her pastor and church friends are a very important part of her life; and,

Whereas, Dora currently resides in Beresford, South Dakota, and will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and family gather on March 20, 2009, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper as Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 20, 2009, as

DORA M. JENSEN DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State